

necessary is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the expenses of further participation by the United States in the work of the preparatory commission at Geneva, Switzerland, for the purpose of making preliminary studies and preparations for a conference on the reduction and limitation of armaments; and for each and every purpose connected therewith, including compensation of employees, travel, subsistence or per diem in lieu of subsistence in amounts authorized in the discretion of the Secretary of State (notwithstanding the provisions of any other Act); and such other expenses as the President shall deem proper, to be expended under the direction of the Secretary of State.

Expenses authorized for participation in preparatory commission for.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 386.—Joint Resolution Amending the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to withhold his approval of the adjustment of the Northern Pacific land grants, and for other purposes," approved June 5, 1924, and for other purposes.

March 3, 1927.
[H. J. Res. 363.]
[Pub. Res., No. 67.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the joint resolution entitled "Joint resolution directing the Secretary of the Interior to withhold his approval of the adjustment of the Northern Pacific land grants, and for other purposes," approved June 5, 1924, be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows: "That where in said joint resolution there appears the word and figures 'March 4, 1926,' the same shall be amended to read 'June 1, 1928.'"

Northern Pacific land grants.
Inhibition against approval of, extended to June 1, 1928.
Vol. 43, p. 461, amended.

SEC. 2. That the present members of the joint committee appointed under said resolution shall continue to act until the termination of the Seventieth Congress: *Provided, however,* That where a vacancy will occur among the Senate members of said committee due to their retiring from Congress on March 4, 1927, the President of the Senate may fill such vacancy.

Joint Committee to continue.
Vol. 43, p. 462.
Proviso.
Filling vacancies.

SEC. 3. That the Attorney General of the United States be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to advise the said joint committee as to what legal or legislative action should, in his judgment, be taken in the matter of the adjustment of the said Northern Pacific land grants.

Attorney General to advise as to action for adjustment.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 387.—Joint Resolution For the relief of special disbursing agents of the Alaskan Engineering Commission or of the Alaska Railroad.

March 3, 1927.
[H. J. Res. 243.]
[Pub. Res., No. 68.]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the General Accounting Office is hereby authorized and directed to credit in the accounts of the special disbursing agents of the Alaskan Engineering Commission sums heretofore disallowed by that office on account of payments made to certain Army officers by Army pay officers, and the payments made to the said officers as officers of the Army are hereby validated covering the period from July 1, 1921, to February 28, 1922.

Alaskan Engineering Commission.
Credit directed of sums of disbursing agents heretofore disallowed.

Payments validated.

Approved, March 3, 1927.

CHAP. 488.—An Act To amend the Act approved June 4, 1897, by authorizing an increase in the cost of lands to be embraced in the Shiloh National Military Park, Pittsburg Landing, Tennessee.

March 4, 1927.
[H. R. 10504.]
[Public, No. 782.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act

Shiloh Military Park, Tenn.